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Weekly Cold-related Illness Surveillance Report

December 13, 2011

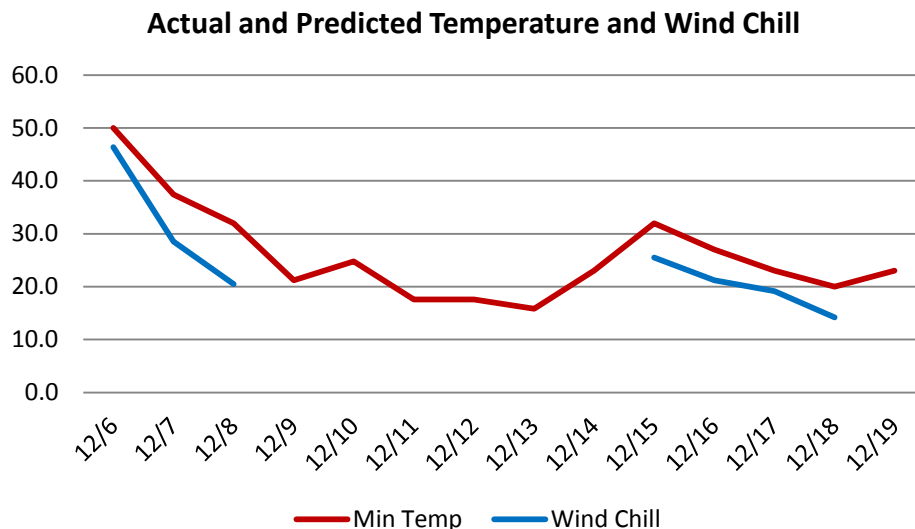
Reporting for December 6 through December 12, 2011

This information is used to make a Cold Advisory but is not a Cold Advisory in itself.

National Weather Service Forecast: No Warnings or Alerts

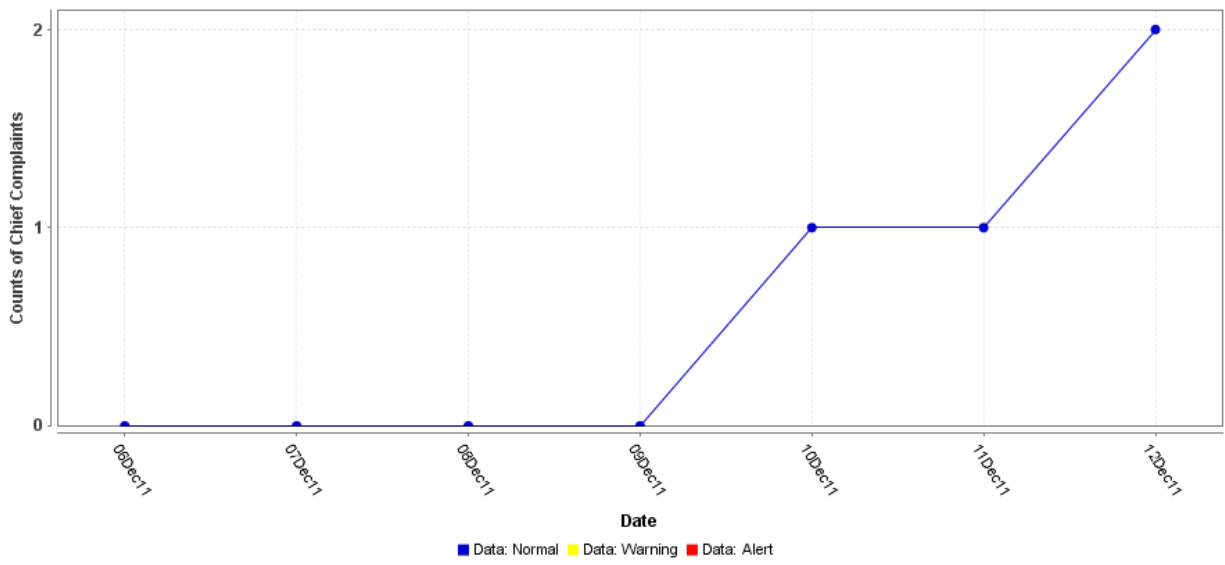
Cold Advisory Declared This Week: None

Total Cold Advisories Declared: 0

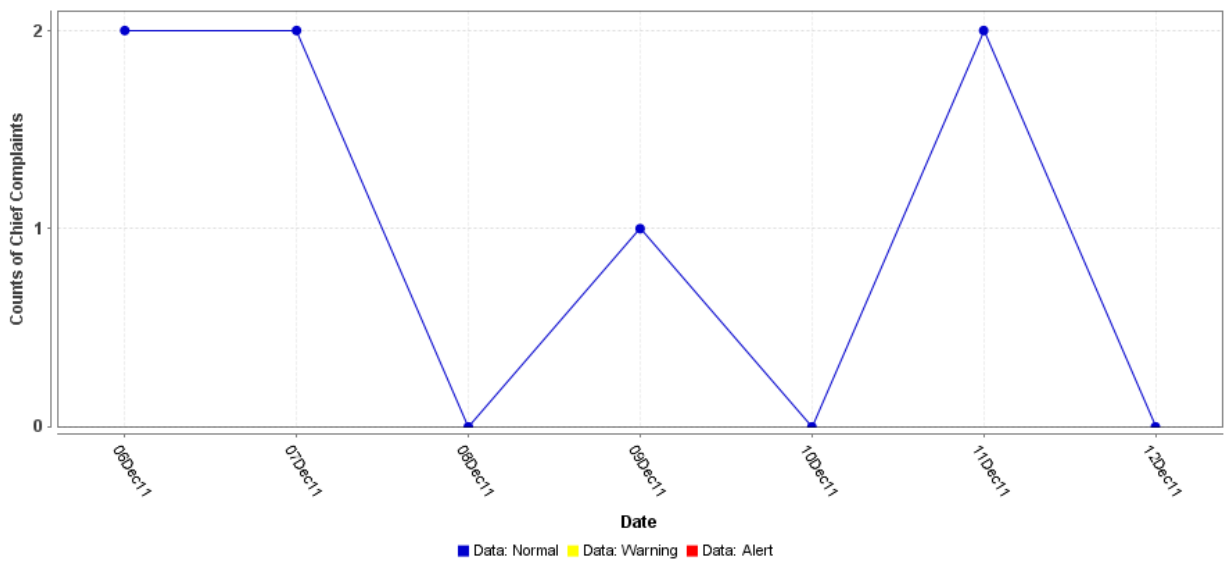


Note: Wind Chill is only calculated for temperatures below -5°F and wind speeds above 3 mph

Emergency Department Chief Complaints Regarding Cold-related Illnesses



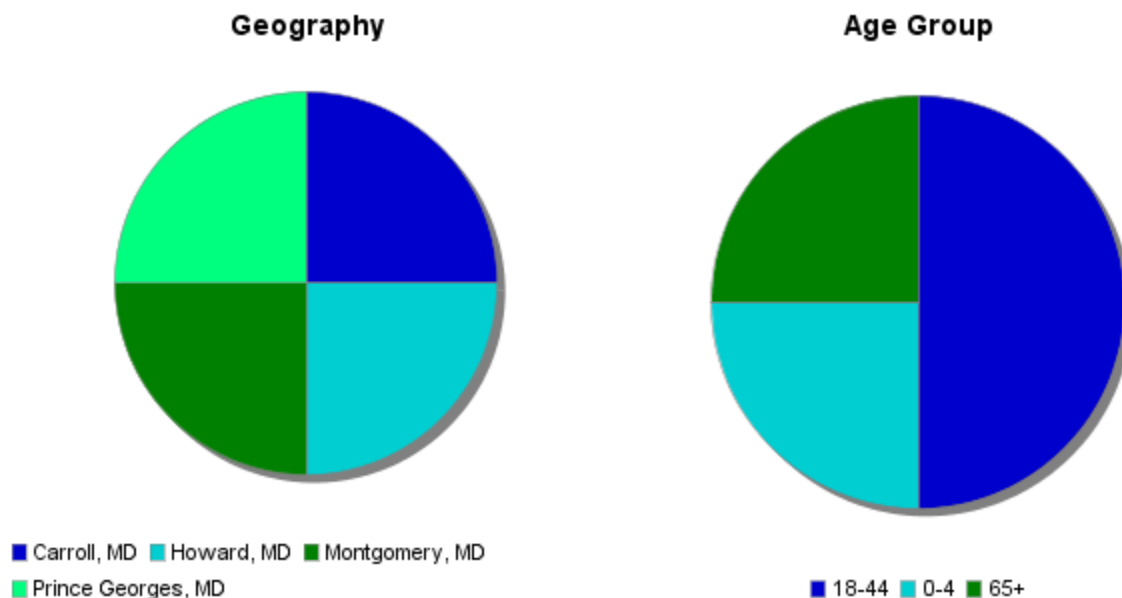
Emergency Department Chief Complaints for Carbon Monoxide Exposure



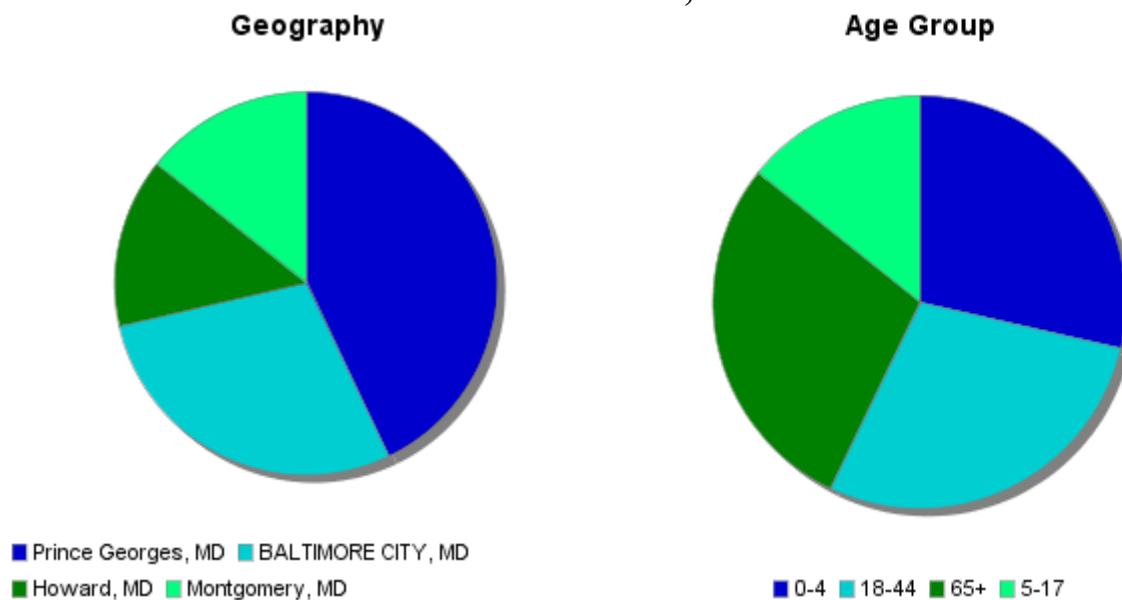
Date	Number of Chief Complaints Regarding Cold-related Illnesses	Number of Chief Complaints Regarding Carbon Monoxide Exposure
December 6	0	2
December 7	0	2
December 8	0	0
December 9	0	1
December 10	1	0
December 11	1	2
December 12	2	0

There were no chief complaint clusters identified during the week.

Geographical and Age Group Distribution of Emergency Department Chief Complaints Regarding Cold-related Illness for December 6 through December 12, 2011



Geographical and Age Group Distribution of Emergency Department Chief Complaints Regarding Carbon Monoxide Exposure for December 6 through December 12, 2011



There were no cold-related deaths during the past week.

Cold Advisory Criteria: A Cold Advisory will be made for wind chill factors of -5°F or less. We may issue a Cold Advisory for combinations of conditions such as low temperature, extended cold waves and precipitation. Criteria are based on National Weather Service guidelines.¹

Note: The cold report will be released on Tuesdays, with the reporting period being the previous Tuesday through Monday.

¹ NWS Wind Chill Factor Chart: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/windchill/>

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